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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Alan Balkany

Application No.: 09/541,631

Group No.: 2172

Filed: 04/04/2000

Examiner: Baoquoc, To

For: HIERARCHICAL METHOD FOR STORING DATA WITH IMPROVED COMPRESSION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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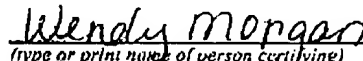
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	20	- 20	= 0	x \$ 25.00	= \$		0.00
INDEP.	3	- 3	= 0	x \$ 100.00	= \$		0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 0.00	= \$		0.00
				TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	\$		0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

FEE DEFICIENCY

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

In response further to the Request for Continued Examination mailed February 28, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.